

BULLETIN NEWS LETTERS FROM ITS BROADENING FIELD

LETTERS FROM TOWNS IN TWO STATES

The Business and Social Life of Every Town and Settlement Reflected in These Columns.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

GALES FERRY

Children's Day at M. E. Church—Series of Entertainment Planned—Miss Houck's School Closes—Quarterly Conference.

Children's Day was observed at the Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday with exercises by the children of the Sunday school in place of the Sunday morning service. A voluntary on the organ and violin by Mrs. Eugene La Fontaine and Alfred M. Voorhees opened the exercises, and an opening chorus, "Bless the Lord, O Ye Lands," was followed by the recitation of the Second Psalm and the Lord's Prayer. The sacrament of baptism, administered to the infant son of Courtland Everett, Jr., of Superintendent and Mrs. C. E. Colver by the Rev. Mr. Ackley preceded the programme of songs and recitations by the children, which was followed by several choruses and solos by Ruth Lawson and Doris Main. The children assisting with recitations were: Alton Chapman, Florence Brown, Lizette Main, Mildred Voorhees, Antonio Motta, Florence Lamb, Ethel Farmer, Elsie McGuire, and Minnie Lamb. Mary Voorhees, an exercise entitled "Go," by Ruth Lawson, Lydia Lewis, Harlan Newberry and Walter Matt. was an important number on the programme, as the four young people passed their pails through the audience for the annual Children's day collection.

Church Board Appoints Committee.—A meeting of the official board of the church was held at the close of the exercises. An entertainment committee was appointed to provide a series of six entertainments, four of which are to be in charge of the officials of the several societies of the church and the other two to be provided by the members themselves. The committee on Sunday school class and the pastor's Bible class. A finance committee was also appointed. Mrs. Henry W. Hurlbutt, Mrs. Eugene La Fontaine, Mrs. Colver and D. C. Perkins were selected to act on this committee.

Persons.—Miss Florence Geor of Ledyard was the guest over Saturday and Sunday of Miss Florence Hurlbutt. Mrs. Joseph Birch of Whitestone, L. I., with her little daughter, arrived on Monday at the home of Mrs. Perkins. Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Perkins.

Honor Pupils at Village School.—The village school, taught by Miss Mabel A. Houck of Norwich, closed for the summer vacation on Friday of last week. The names on the roll of honor of regular attendance during the spring term were Harlan Newberry and Florence Brown. Miss Newberry was also perfect in attendance for the year. The picnic to the woods which had been planned for the closing exercises had to be abandoned owing to the storm. Lunch was served at the school building.

Mrs. Franklin H. Brown of Norwich spent Monday at her summer home in this village.

First Quarterly Conference.—There was a large attendance of the members of the official board of the M. E. church on Friday evening of last week at the first quarterly conference of the district. Superintendent J. H. Newman of Norwich presided. Four new members, Mrs. Thomas La Fontaine, Mrs. Harlan Newberry, Mrs. Harmon Perkins and Miss Annie Hurlbutt were added to the list of stewards. The customary reports were given and routine business transacted. A business meeting of the Epworth league was held at the close of the conference.

Brief Items.—William Perkins of Norwich, one of the summer residents on The Blue, has purchased the power-boat Perry recently of R. H. Perkins of New London.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wolf and family of Norwich arrived at their cottage for the season on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wolf of Norwich have also arrived for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Allyn Perkins and Mrs. William Harris and daughters of Groton spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Perkins.

Anthony Morse of New Haven is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan A. Gibbs.

Attended Nylens-Tubbs Marriage.—Mr. and Mrs. Eugene La Fontaine, Mrs. Elsie McGuire, Miss Grace Chapman, Miss Latham Smith and daughter, Miss Mabel and Mrs. Chas. J. Pierce and Mrs. P. F. Norman and son Percy of Albany Point were guests at the marriage of Miss Olive Hurlbutt Tubbs to Carl Henning Nylar at the Brewster's Neck chapel on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Jennie G. Perkins and Miss Helen Scranton, students at the East Northfield seminary, arrived here Saturday evening. Miss Perkins is spending her vacation with her parents and Miss Scranton to visit her aunts, the Misses Mathewson.

CLARK'S FALLS

Mrs. Caroline M. Wheeler closes successful term of Village School—Local Jottings.

Mrs. Caroline M. Wheeler closed a successful term of school in this village Friday. The literary exercises were fine and much appreciated by the relatives and friends present. This is one of the best of the school in the town with many more pupils than in any other school in the town who have not only been carefully taught but patiently dealt with and have kept up their attendance and interest to the close of the school. Mrs. Wheeler is highly esteemed as a teacher and friend in this part of the town and will be greatly missed, as she is going away.

Persons.—John Kilkenny, who is one of the keepers of the Roman Shoal Lighthouse, six miles from land near Sandy Hook, has been visiting with relatives here. William Clews of Potter Hill was the guest of friends here over Sunday.

Wilson D. Maine was in Poquonoc Tuesday on business.

Mrs. George Goodhue of Carroll, Mass., visited friends in town Sunday night, and Monday morning accompanied by

W. D. Maine, one of the coast guard men who is off duty, went to Stonington. Miss Rilla Chapman called on Mrs. H. P. Palmer, Monday.

LEBANON

Children's Day Exercises—Grange Discusses Timely Agricultural Topics—Interesting Notes.

Last Sunday was to be Children's day, both morning and evening, in the First Congregational church. The main audience room was beautifully decorated with laurel and flowers. The children were seated in the front pews and the sermon was prepared especially for the children, brief and interesting. The music also was well adapted to the occasion. But the evening proved to be stormy and no services were held. As announced in the morning, in case of rain in the evening the exercises would be postponed until Monday evening. So the next evening being fair the children gathered in force and a fine audience besides. Recitations, songs and excellent music by the choir and orchestra filled out the evening. The programme was a satisfaction of all whose privilege it was to be present. Closing remarks were made by the pastor.

Grange Holds Profitable Session.—Lebanon Grange, No. 21, holds some very pleasant and profitable meetings. Thursday evening of last week filled up the time of its lecture hour with the discussion of several questions pertaining to agriculture. Is it practicable to teach the principles of agriculture in the public schools of this rural village? Mr. Christie Foster, who would be of great interest to a young man who intends to be a farmer to take a course in Storrs' agricultural college, was the speaker. What are some of the public benefits derived mainly through the influence of the granges in the United States? Otto Pultz, Miss Bishop, and the teacher of the Lebanon Center school, and all her pupils with a few others to spend part of the afternoon on her country. This invitation was accepted and at 2:30 p. m. the guests came and had about two hours of enjoyment in sports, and finally, remarks by the teacher of the Lebanon Center school, followed by ample refreshments.

Pastors Exchange.—Rev. E. B. Smith has engaged to preach in South Framingham, Mass., tomorrow. This was his former home church. Rev. Mr. Davies is expected to preach in Mr. Smith's pulpit.

Several from this vicinity attended the fellowship meeting in Franklin last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Main were guests of her aunt last Sunday night at Mr. and Mrs. James Fendleton's.

Rev. Mr. Leroy Tucker and wife are visiting his parents and friends in Lebanon.

Wallace Sweet is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Sweet.

Mrs. George Danielson of Danielson, Miss Jennie Holbrook of St. Louis, Mo., are visiting at Dr. E. L. Danielson's.

SOUTH LYME

Personal Mention—Visitors for the Week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith of New Haven are the guests of relatives in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stickney of Iroquois spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Speirs of Lyme were callers in the place Sunday.

Miss Wilhelmnia Douglass is visiting relatives in this place.

Mrs. J. H. Champion and Mrs. David Champion were visitors in Niangua Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Roath is visiting her mother in Iroquois.

Miss Helen Baldwin has returned to her home in Derby after an extended visit with her brother, Almon Champion.

Almon Champion who has been seriously ill is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hensie have moved their household effects to Albany, where they will reside in the future.

The Children's day concert was held at the Union chapel Sunday evening.

Walter Comstock of New Haven visited Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Payne Saturday.

Miss Lydia Hartig of Lyme visited friends in this place Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller were callers in Lyme Monday.

Mrs. Helen Merrill is entertaining her mother from Springfield this week.

Mrs. Ellen King of Roxbury visited Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Payne Monday.

Mrs. Charles Fendleton was the guest of Mrs. David Champion this week.

CAMPBELL'S MILLS

Tenth District School Closes with Interesting Exercises—A Rival of Weston.

The spring term of school in the Tenth district came to a close on Wednesday afternoon with appropriate exercises. The school room was decorated with wild iris, ferns and other foliage, and also American flags. The seating capacity was taxed to its limit with parents and friends of the pupils, who were greatly pleased by the manner in which the pupils carried out the exercises, showing the careful training they have received from their teacher, Miss Margaret Tanner, who has taught the school for the past two years. The following pupils were present each day during the year: Minnie Tanner, Harold Burke, Henry Congdon, Floyd Barber, Alfred Pratt, John Cleveland, who will be \$3 in July, walked from Voluntown to Greene, R. I., one day this week, a distance of 12 miles.

LISBON

Glee Club's Barn Dance—News Notes of the Week.

Miss Pauline Ellbeck of Tatfield was the guest of Miss Ethel M. Kennedy, "old Sunday."

All those who attended the barn

dance which was given by the Lisbon Glee club Saturday evening enjoyed a good time. Tatfield, Norwich, Jewett City, Vermont, and Oyster Bay, N. Y., were represented. Greenman's orchestra furnished music and Tinkham prompted. The refreshments were in charge of Maggie and Annie Elbeck, Pauline Ellbeck, Ethel Kennedy, Paul and Charles Budeit, August Elbeck and Charles Banker. Edward Eckert and Edward Eckert of Tatfield were the guests of Bernard Elbeck Sunday.

Paul Budeit was in Norwich Saturday.

J. H. Kennedy was in Willimantic Sunday.

Mrs. Michael McGory is very sick at the Backus hospital.

HAMBURG

Annual Strawberry Sale at Church—Attend High School Reception at Old Lyme—Schools Close with Picnics.

Mrs. Charles F. Beebe and son were the guests of Mrs. L. Reynolds of East Lyme Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Maria Harding closed a successful year of school in Brookway last Friday with a picnic.

A number of the young people from here attended the reception given by the Old Lyme high school Wednesday evening.

The ladies of the church held their strawberry sale Friday evening. A programme was presented by the young people.

Hyde of Springfield has pitched his tent on Myer Hill for the summer. His family will come a little later.

Mrs. W. M. Anderson was a New London visitor last Monday.

Miss Ada Harding closed her school with a picnic Saturday.

Mr. Gertrude Stone and children are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Clark.

Mrs. Mary Timmy went to Chester last Wednesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Wood.

Hayden Reynolds has been leading a vessel with wood and lies at Lord's dock this week.

Mrs. Fannie C. Tiffany of Hartford is the guest of her cousin, J. J. Tiffany.

GARDNER LAKE

Busy Afternoon for Needlewomen—Strawberries Ripening—Children's Concert.

Earl Lathrop has returned, after visiting relatives in Norwich.

H. G. Gardner made a business trip to New York and Brooklyn early in the week.

Miss Ella Champlin is visiting relatives and friends in Norwich, Yantic and Jewett City.

Mrs. Ernest Lathrop and daughter recently visited in New London and Groton.

Supper Follows Thimble Bee.

The Thimble Bee was held Saturday, June 11, with Mrs. Frank Lathrop of Norwich presiding.

Mr. and Mrs. Lathrop were absent, but a party of ten spent a pleasant afternoon at the close of which a baked bean supper was served.

Mrs. W. A. Burgess has invited the ladies to meet with her next time.

Mrs. Pauline Bolender has gone to New York to see the Elgin.

Mrs. David B. Maynard has returned, after spending several days in Norwich and Montville.

LIBERTY HILL

Storm Compels Postponement of Sunday School Concert—Local Personals.

The storm last Sunday prevented having the Sunday school concert. It will be given at 3 p. m. next Sunday.

Visited After 10,000-Mile Trip.

A. W. Noyes of Chicago, traveling passenger agent Chicago & Great Western railroad, who has just completed a ten thousand-mile trip across the country in a motor car, was in town, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. E. A. Noyes, from Friday until Monday night. He started for New York and Boston on his trip and expects to arrive home Saturday.

John Clarke has completed the cellar for his new cottage.

End of School Year.—The district school closed Friday. Several visited school exercises. Flag day. The teacher, Miss Maud Harvey, gave the pupils a small flag each.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Trotter of Newton, Mass., are guests of Mrs. Trotter's mother, Mrs. E. A. Noyes.

Mrs. Cecil Cleland and her sister, Miss Hazel Hatch, are spending the week with Mrs. Smith at Storrs college and attending commencement exercises.

NORTH LYME

Attending Commencement Exercises—Motor Party from Norwich.

Mrs. W. M. Sisson, Jr., is attending commencement exercises this week at Vermont Academy, Saxton's River, Vt., and the Conservatory of Music at Boston, Mass.

Albion Holmes is able to be out after a serious illness.

Mrs. Francis Merritt returned to Groton, Monday, after six weeks' visit at G. H. Strong's.

N. S. Strong was in Norwich last week Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smith of Chester called on friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gardner and Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Howard of Norwich visited at G. H. Strong's Wednesday, making the trip in Dr. Howard's automobile.

There was exported from Perak, Selangor and Negri-Sembilan in January, 1,234,400 pounds of block tin and 6,347,112 pounds of tin ore.

UNCASVILLE

American Council Commemorates Its Seventeenth Anniversary—Class of Eight Graduated at Palmer Memorial School.

American Council, O. U. A. M., marked its seventeenth anniversary Thursday evening, holding an open meeting in Palmer Memorial hall. A committee composed of Roy Gardner, Frank Richards, Harry Wood, John Lynch, George Pratt and Robert C. Burchard were in charge of the affair. After a short business session a musical programme was rendered and refreshments were served. The principal speaker of the evening was State Councilor H. C. Cook of Hartford and other officers from the order from New London were present. This council was organized by State Organizer Thomas Gilmore, but he was unable to be present. Eight of the charter members live in town.

General News.

P. B. Tucker, the rural carrier from this office, is enjoying his annual two weeks' vacation, starting in Monday morning.

Mrs. William B. Walden entertained Miss Florence Geor of East Lyme the first of the week.

Mrs. Charles Barton of Middletown, a former resident of Pequot, visited Friday in that village.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Tucker of East Lyme were over Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Fox.

Exercises Postponed.

The Children's day exercises at the Methodist Episcopal church were postponed Sunday and will be held next Sunday at the church at 4 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramage have a fine display of peonies on the lawn in front of their home at Hill Top.

Mr. Sullivan of this place has been awarded the contract to paint the life saving station at Fisher's Island, leaving town Monday to spend the week at the island.

Mrs. Frank B. Mitchell accompanied her husband to Long Island Monday, where he is at present employed. Mrs. Mitchell will spend this week with him.

Chocoma camp, M. W. of A., at its regular meeting, served a supper after the business meeting.

The Thummes Day and Bleachery company built at Bartlett's a carload of machinery was received Monday.

Transferring Light.

In response to a complaint which has been made about the dark places along the river from the car station to the river, Mrs. E. A. Palmer is making arrangements to have the light which she gave to the town some time ago removed from the car station and placed near W. B. Walden's store.

Orville C. Walden will assume the responsibility of keeping the lamp burning, the patent of those interested in the incandescent lights has been placed by the Connecticut company.

Mrs. James Church continues very ill.

Class of Eight Graduates.

The graduating class of Palmer Memorial school held its exercises in the hall of the school building Wednesday evening. The class numbers were: Miss Vera Bartlett, Miss Evelyn Comstock, Abram Greenburg, Miss Robert H. Brown, Harry Watt, Miss Carrie Wood. The class paper was by Miss Wood and the valedictory by Harold Reardon.

Given by other members of the class interspersed with music. The class reception was held Thursday evening in the hall of the school building.

Friday with a picnic in Hurlbutt's grove.

Samuel Allen, who has been confined to his bed for several months with rheumatic troubles, is able to get out to sit on the porch at his home at Hill Top.

Henry Church has a new automobile. Miss Marian Stark of North Lyme was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Henry over graduation at the Palmer Memorial school. Miss Stark was a graduate of this school.

MONTVILLE

Children's Day Exercises—Members of Friday Night Club as Hostesses—Pastor at Newton Center.

At the Union Baptist church Sunday morning, June 12, the Children's day exercises were held under the direction of the superintendent, Mrs. W. C. Allen. June Time Blossoms was the subject and all were pleased with the songs and recitations.

Friday Night Club Entertains.—The twenty young ladies of the Friday Night club of the Union Baptist church gave a pleasant evening to the members of the club at the Friday evening June 9. About 50 in all were present. Progressive games and a good social time were followed by a solo by Gertrude Olson, a duet by Messrs. Chapel and McKen-

A palatable lunch was served by the young ladies at the close.

James MacEneaney of New London spent Friday evening with friends here.

At Summer School of Theology.—Rev. George C. Chappell is a student at the summer school of theology at Newton Center, Mass. A course of lectures will be delivered by the seminary professors and other eminent teachers. Round top meetings are held at 8 p. m. and evening services will be held at the church on Friday evening with friends here.

Graduating Exercises.—The Palmer Memorial hall Wednesday evening, June 13, was the scene of the Palmer Memorial hall Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sawyer spent Sunday at Hadlyme.

Gifts to Teacher.

Ten young ladies of Mrs. G. C. Chappell's Bible class gave her a pleasant surprise. The Baptist church on Wednesday evening, presenting their teacher a basket of home made candy and flowers, and a beautiful table fern with jardens. The young people greatly enjoyed the evening.

OAKDALE.

Sermon to Children—Rural Carrier on Vacation.

Rev. H. T. Arnold of Norwich preached in the Oakdale Sunday school to the children from Hebrews xi:27. On account of bad weather, there was not many out.

Mrs. Mary A. Beard of Flushing, N. Y., arrived at the home of her brother, F. F. Parker, on Friday, where she will remain for a time.

H. W. Anwood, mail carrier on the R. F. D. route, is having his annual vacation of 15 days. During Mr. Anwood's absence the work will be done by J. C. Fellows, who has been appointed substitute in place of J. T. Church, who resigned June 1.

GRISWOLD

Owing to the unfavorable weather Sunday, only a few people were able to get out to the concert.

The C. E. society recently elected the following officers: President, H. W. Dawley; vice president, Grace L. Meach; recording secretary, Mrs. Jane W. Lester; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Edward A. Geer.

Pays \$25 for Striking a Policeman.

New London's Industrial Building Will Pay Five Per Cent Dividend.

CONGRESSMAN HIGGINS' BILL POPULAR.

The Young Men of New London to be Given Political Opportunity—The Eagles Planning for Big Celebration—The Programme for August 18th.

Private Perry Duncan, who was fined in the police court for striking Policeman James D. Gaffney, paid \$25.00 and costs for the offence. He did not know at the time of the assault that he was up against the former welter weight amateur champion fighter of New England, but he realized that he had made a mistake before he was on his way to the police station. Duncan was creating a disturbance in a saloon and Policeman Gaffney was called in and the soldier's arrest was ordered. The officer took hold of the bow in blue and he resisted, and finally struck the officer. He struck Gaffney a second time and was about to strike again when Jim blocked, and landed one on his assailant, which quieted the soldier. The soldier quite effectively, so far as went his display of pugilistic science.

After that he resisted arrest as much as possible without using his fists, but was finally landed in a prison cell. He afterwards acknowledged that he was at fault and when he learned that the pugilistic reputation of the police officer he expressed satisfaction at his lucky escape from a severe beating, and wondered why the officer should have taken him to a prison cell. He disliked very much to strike a prisoner with his fist or club, and only did so as a last resort in self-defence. He declared that he would have been warranted in using his club which was given him as a defensive weapon, but that it was a case where quick action was necessary, so he reluctantly struck his assailant just once, and after he had been struck twice by the fighting soldier. However, Private Duncan has the distinction of having been in an encounter with an ex-champion in which he was the aggressor and led in the fighting, getting in one cut on the champion's nose, which cost him the price, it seems, and did no damage to the other fellow.

New London's Industrial Building has proven a paying venture and soon the stock holders will receive a five per cent dividend on the investment and the city has a really first-class industry. Now there is talk of erecting other industrial buildings of this kind to house desirable manufacturing concerns when they come this way. This is certainly a praiseworthy design, and the city is very much interested in the business advancement of the city. They should not, however, lose sight of the fact that if one or more industries of more or less size, even one or more very small industries, came here seeking a location, that it could be furnished without detriment to the city.

There are several large brick buildings adapted for almost any kind of business, and they are even better than would be any industrial buildings erected by the contribution of New London capital. So until these buildings are occupied it would be well to drop the new industrial buildings idea. There are a couple of other substantial brick buildings far up the street that could also be leased for manufacturing purposes, and there are other available buildings in other sections of the city.

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There is strong tendency in the coming state election in New London to give a young man a place in politics. In keeping with the old saying of young men for action and old men for counsel, it is the consensus of opinion here that the young men, that Lucius E. Whitton should receive republican renomination for the legislature, his only opponents being a few who wish to push him aside for reasons personal to themselves and without regard to the general good of the city and the state. In all probability he will win in caucus and his election will then be merely a matter of form. Even the local leaders of the party have not fully decided upon a choice for the candidate who will be able to carry the ticket with Mr. Whitton. Of course there are those who have been in the willing list for some years, but for these the party has always with us.

The latest aspirant for legislative honors is certainly a representative young man, one who could serve the city creditably and make his mark among the leading speakers of the house. He is Edmund J. Condon, a native New Londoner, a graduate of the University of Michigan, and a lawyer of promise. He was the orator of his class in both advanced courses of learning and has made a name for himself in his native city that places him in the front ranks of the public speakers. Of course, young lawyers tried to be candidates for the legislature, Mr. Condon is their equal as a lawyer and superior as a speaker, and would undoubtedly prove a greater asset than the best of them. He is a thorough republican, but only lacks age to become experienced in politics. Being a young man of excellent character, devotedly popular and a willing party worker, he will undoubtedly receive recognition when nominations for the legislature are being handed out. In fact there are many of the younger republicans who will insist upon the nomination of Mr. Condon, and before caucus time arrives the party leaders may see the wisdom of the choice.

Congressman Higgins' bill for the establishment of a life-saving station near New